Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai: What was the special reason for the shifting of the toll-gate?

Mr. G. B. E. Truscott: To catch the heavy timber traffic there.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai: Had not the department any knowledge of the heavy timber traffic when the gate was first established in its former locality?

Mr. G. B. E. Truscott: It was only afterwards that it was discovered that, to evade the toll, all the heavy timber traffic was being diverted along this by-road.

Mr. S. Piraviperumal Pillai: Have they now caught the timber traffic?

Mr. G. B. E. Truscott: Yes.

Mr. S. Piraviperumal Pillai: Has the collection increased now?

Mr. G. B. E. Truscott: The department does not collect the toll; it is the contractor that does it.

Mr. S. Piraviperumal Pillai: Then, how was the member able to say that the timber traffic has been caught?

Mr. G. B. E. Truscott: The timber traffic has to pass along this road.

Mr. S. Piraviperumal Pillai: Has the shift resulted in any increase in Government revenue?

Mr. G. B. E. Truscott: I claim notice.

Vallikkavu—Vavvakkavu road.

147 * **Mr. A. N. Visvanatha Pillai** (*Quilon cum Karunagapalli*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they are aware that the inhabitants of Kulasekharapuram pakuthi in Karunagapalli taluk have been agitating for a long time for a road connecting the Vallikkavu market with the Quilon—Alleppey road at Vavvakkavu at the 19th mile:

(*b*) whether the Executive Engineer had inspected the spot;

(*c*) if so, what his report is;

(*d*) whether an estimate has been called for; and

(*e*) if so, what that amount is?

Mr. G. B. E. Truscott: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) The Division Officer reported that the people had done some work in the way of a little scrapping up of sandy earth and formed low embankments across paddy fields and set back fences in some places.

(*d*) He has called on the Sub-Division Officer to prepare an estimate after the people have completed the necessary works and handed over 22' width of lands for the road as per the conditions of the Ryots' Road Rules;

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(*c*) The amount can be known only after the estimate is prepared.

Aravilakadavu Road.

148 * **Mr. A. N. Visvanatha Pillai**: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) when the road which branches off from the 5th mile, 8th furlong of the Quilon-Alleppey road at Kavanad to Aravilakadavu was gravelled; and

(*b*) when they propose to gravel it again and its present condition?

Mr. G. B. E. Truscott: (*a*) In 1102.

(*b*) It will be given a further coating of gravel this year, if possible. The present condition of the road is not good and it cannot be improved until it is widened sufficiently to provide side drains for which no poramboke lands are available.

Mr. A. N. Visvanatha Pillai: If possible എന്ന പാർട്ട് ബീയിൽ പറഞ്ഞിരിക്കുന്നതെന്തുകൊണ്ടാണെന്ന പറയാമോ?

Mr. G. B. E. Truscott: When funds permit.

Mr. A. N. Visvanatha Pillai: ൻ കൊല്ലമായിട്ടും ഫണ്ട് പെർമിറ്റ ചെയ്തില്ലെന്നാണോ പറയുന്നത്?

Mr. G. B. E. Truscott: Yes, it amounts to that.

Mr. A. N. Visvanatha Pillai: സ്ഥലം കൊടുത്താൽ ഇതു നന്നാക്കാമെന്ന ഗവണ്മെൻറ ഉറപ്പു പറയുന്നുണ്ടോ?

Mr. G. B. E. Truscott: I do not know if the adjacent land owners have now become generous. I should be glad to hear about that.

Superintendent, P. W. D. Workshop.

149 * **Mr. K. P. Nilakanta Pillai** (*Chirayinkil cum Nedumangad*): Will the Government be pleased to state the following:

(*a*) the qualifications of the present Workshop Superintendent, both general and technical:

(*b*) whether the post was advertised, and, if so, who were the applicants and what were their qualifications, both general and technical;

(*c*) where the present Superintendent was last serving and what his pay was; and

(*d*) what are the works of the present Superintendent of the P. W. D. Workshop?

Mr. G. B. E. Truscott: (*a*) General:—Completed Inter-Science course in C. M. S. College, Kottayam.

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